



ABATE of Alaska Board Meeting Minutes
Scheduled: 01 December 2016, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

I. Board Members -

Four of Six Board Members needed to establish Quorum

(Indicate if Present)

- a. +Dan "Havoc" Coffey
- b. +Dan "RC" Owens
- c. Geoff Oliver – not present
- d. Barb Smart – not present
- e. +“Big Dave Grizzly” Monroe
- f. +Tom “Zookeeper” Evans

II. OFFICER REPORTS (Optional) -

(Indicate if Present)

- a. +President - Ed Rutledge
- b. +Vice President - “Big Dave Grizzly” Monroe – brought food to meeting.
Meeting started at 7:21 pm.
- c. +Secretary - Lynn Fibranz
- d. Treasurer - Bobbe Reilly = not here
- e. +Sgt-At-Arms - Daniel Schneider
- f. +Legislative Affairs - Dan “Havoc” Coffey
- g. Run Coordinator - Chris “Token” Rigel = not here
- h. Newsletter Editor - Bobbe Reilly = not here
- i. Membership - Ralphie Morel = not here
- j. Rider Education - Barbara “Barb” Smart = not here
- k. +Gaming - Dan “RC” Owens
- l. Products - Chris “Token” Rigel = not here
- m. Public Relations - Geoff Oliver = not here
- n. COC Liaison - Chris “Token” Rigel = not here

III. INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS –

- a. Laura Goggin & Kurt (mini-trouble) present.
- b.
- c. ???

IV. UPDATE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -

- a. Current Agenda Update(s) – two additions
- b. Approval Past Meeting(s) Minutes – From November 03, 2016; change from Agenda to Minutes. Motion by Tom and second by Havoc to pass minutes. Passed unanimously.

V. OLD BUSINESS –

- a. ABATE of Alaska 2016 Elections for 2017 Calendar Year Term
 - i. Results sent to Membership
 - ii. Discussion?
- b. Events/Run dates for 2017 -
 - i. Meet and Greet (January 21, 2017)
 - ii. The Gathering & Bike Blessing (May 6, 2017)
 - iii. Break-Up Run (May 13, 2017)
 - iv. Christmas In July Toy Run (July 23, 2017)
 - v. Freeze-Up Run (September 16, 2017)
- c. COC Meeting (December 3, 2016)
 - i. 1:30PM at Dimond Center Hotel – open to club members, but limited amount of people
- d. Marcy's Celebration of Life (December 10, 2016)
 - i. 4:00 PM at Reilly's Irish Pub (317 W. Fireweed Lane)
 - ii. Potluck
- e. Meet and Greet (January 21, 2017) – Laura
 - i. La Cabana Reservation Confirmed
 - ii. Setup at 6:00 PM and food at 7:00 PM
 - iii. \$4000 budgeted (about \$1800 on food) – approved via email by Board Members. ABATE pays for their active members' dinners at this event to give back to members.
 - iv. Does Laura need anything else from Board and Officers? Need announcements sections, certificates for past Board Members and Officers [to be done by Havoc and Ed], bring up Toy Run group volunteers and thanked publicly. Most rider instructors not ABATE members but still invited to event last year.
 - v. Additional Events? Havoc suggested IT-guy setting up PC and screen to loop through pictures of 2016 ABATE events.
 - vi. Volunteers?
 - Greeting and check-in = only members will get stamp on hand, so can get door prize ticket. Will have three greeters to verify people on members list at door.
 - Membership Sign-Up and Renewals = four volunteers needed for this item. Will take credit cards this time. No cash without membership form attached to it.
 - Door Prizes? Laura & RC go around buying them, usually from Costco, but also ABATE's business members. POC on this is Laura. One door prize per person, except for grand prize.
 - Auction Items? Not this year.
- f. The Gathering and Bike Blessing Location (Update) – Ed meeting with Veterans Commission on Monday, 05 Dec '16, at 12n at Municipal Building.
 - i. Before end of year, talk with MOA on park strip issues; get yearly permission waiver – Ed, RC, and Havoc.

- ii. Ed has been trading emails with Bill Huber
 - iii. Ed – still working on payment regarding late comer businesses wanting to set up at event.
- g. Financial Solvency and Fundraising [*keep on agenda for next several months*]
 - <http://www.keyfundsol.com/Services.html>
 - Sponsors for MRF and SMSA travel?
 - a. Motorcycle Vendors
 - b. Dealers
 - c. Oil Companies – Big Dave has talking points from MRF about Ethanol and has reached out to Oil Companies.
- h. ABATE in Petersburg, Alaska (Update)
 - i. Big Dave responded back to them. Still exchanging messages.
 - ii. Havoc suggested they spend \$35 for business license to become ABATE of Petersburg.
 - iii. No new info – Traded emails with their contact on Facebook.
- i. MOA/Traffic Department Traffic Engineers Safety Meeting (Ed and Big Dave) – Follow-up? [*keep on agenda for Jan and Feb 2017*]
 - i. Urban Design Commission
 - We should approach this group with the Moose Federation about trees in median
- j. ABATE of Alaska Non-Profits Minimum Reserve
 - i. Any updates or follow-up? Big Dave to locate Laura’s email on it and send it out. ABATE needs to agree on the amount. [*keep for revolving agenda*] Discussion ensued regarding revenue decreases, and solutions to increase revenue, such as sponsors for events, and selling ads in newsletter and on radio.
- k. Membership [*keep on agenda for next several meetings*]
 - i. Big Dave has created sustaining membership on-line for \$100. Will get a patch bar sometime in future. Draft quote was \$6 per bar for under patch.
 - ii. Shows and increased commitment to supporting ABATE of Alaska
 - iii. Clubs and individuals can be a Sustaining Member
 - iv. Other than patch, no additional rewards...
 - v. Tom will create “What ABATE Does” and bring to next Board meeting
- l. Marketing
 - i. Yard signs
 - ii. Decals–Havoc mentioned having removable ABATE stickers, with logo and info, for vehicle windows and motorcycle shields, to put ABATE out there. Need to research different options on stickers, and window decals, etc. RC-ABATE decals on side of course bikes
 - iii. Stickers
 - iv. Keychains
 - v. Signage for Tudor riding range fence

- Ask Steve Stripling about getting people to buy signage for Tudor riding range fence. Steve agrees and we are working on recommendations.
- Need to have ABATE's signage up before memorial, as well as next riding classes season.
- m. By-Laws Changes and Issues [*ongoing item for agendas*]
 - i. Ed will Google best practices, and conflicts of interest.
 - ii. Structure of ABATE of Alaska compared to other SMROs?
 - iii. Havoc mentioned Bar Association putting on classes for non-profits, 2-3 days of training. Spyder will check on this information.
 - iv. By-laws posted on ABATE website as pdf file for reviewing.
- n. ABATE of Alaska Officer Operations Manuals
 - i. Run Coordinator
 - Tom and Chris to discuss and work on
 - ii. Membership Coordinator
 - Ralphie and Big Dave to discuss and work on
 - iii. Elections Process
 - Vice-President oversees elections?
 - Big Dave has draft for Vice-President duties
 - iv. Credit Card Acceptance
 - BigDave has create first draft documents for review by Board Members and Officers [*item meeting for Jan '17 agenda*]

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. 2017 Board and Officers
 - i. Advice/Handover?
 - ii. Processes? Very first thing will be to elect Chairman. Old Officers get with new Officers to share information, templates, etc.
 - iii. Questions?
- b. Military Riders Ed – Green Knights email discussion; officially ABATE will wait and see. Need to discuss when Barb is here.
- c. Spyder to look into Sport Bike classes to be offered by ABATE, to generate some review.
- d. Three Angels Memorial [*keep for Jan '17 agenda*] – need Barb for this discussion.

VII. OTHER SHORT BUSINESS

- a. Steve Stripling – free ad email ready by Big Dave. Neighbors Windows and Doors business wants to pay for this to thank ABATE and to run through holiday season. Big Dave to confirm details with Steve.
- b. Last Frontier Motorcycle club Christmas party at Peanut Farm at 6pm, on 16 Dec '16. Will have a band also! Will give away propane outdoor fireplace as prize.
- c. Havoc mentioned past years ABATE events to raise monies – raffles, spaghetti feeds, etc.
- d. ???

VIII. ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING/PENDING

- a. For Gaming, RC to talk with Tom Warden on it = pending
- b. ABATE Secretary to send Webmaster all Board Meeting Minutes from previous years to be placed on ABATE website = pending
- c. Spyder to talk to motorcycle shop for sponsorship. Spyder to follow up with Bobbe on York Bikes giving away ABATE membership with every bike sold by the business.
- d. Havoc to get SMSA report in.
- e. Big Dave to document credit card policy from event = DONE! (Huzah!)

IX. ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a. Meet and Greet event – see notes
- b. Big Dave to look at membership upgrading on the website – how to be handle.
- c. Big Dave still chasing down funding for MRF trips.
- d. Need to setup 2017 budget prior to Meet and Greet – Laura?
- e. ???

X. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is Thursday, January 5, 2017.
- b. Next General Membership Meeting is Thursday, February 16, 2017, 7:00 pm at Sea Galley.
 - i. No Membership Meeting in December or January, as Meet and Greet is in January 2017.
- c. Motion to adjourn by Havoc and second by Tom. Passed unanimously - meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.